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SILVER CITY ROOMS.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS ABOUT TO BE MADE IN ARGENTINE.

SMELTER WILL USE MORE MEN.

NEW SANTA FE SHOPS WILL LARGELY INCREASE THEIR FORCE.

Scramble for Jobs Under the Incoming Administration—Gossip Concerning the Personnel of the New Police Board.

Miscellaneous.

THE people of Argentine are confidently looking forward to the most prosperous period in the town's history. A. R. Meyer, president of the Consolidated Kansas City Smelting and Refining Company, stated recently to a Journal reporter that by the first of the year his company would be working more men than ever during its existence. This establishment has paid more than \$20,000 wages in a single month and can readily be appreciated by the people of the "Silver City."

In addition to this, the new Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway shops will begin to add new men to its force this morning. It was built during the past summer at a cost of several thousand dollars and when running full force will employ about 200 additional men.

There is also a new ice house now under construction which, when completed, will cost about \$15,000. The contract calls for its completion by January 1, 1897, and a large force of men are now employed upon it.

When completed, the ice to fill it will be from the Kaw river, which will necessitate a large number of men.

KNOWS NO ABATEMENT.

Wild Scramble for Places at the Pop Pie Counter Continues.

The wild scramble for the few dry crumbs that are to be had in the Pop Pie counter this fall by the incoming administration knows no abatement and the Populist Moses of Wyandotte county announces that the struggle for a place on the police board has begun. Although salutes are made and broken every day with apparent ease, the latest given by the wise men seems to stand the test on the surface and the Republicans stand a good chance of saving one member of the present board out of the wreck.

The three members proposed are Van B. Prather, ex-state auditor of the Levee administration; John Sterrett, present Republican member of the board, and Bruce Radford, Democratic alderman from the First ward. Van Prather is an important member of the party and, the story goes, is well fortified with some spicy information about the men about whom the last campaign that John W. Breidenbach can tell more about.

By some means Van succeeded in bringing this matter to the attention of the leaders and gave out that he was about to leave the party. He must be pacified. Craddock's recommendation lies in the fact that he is well acquainted with the First ward, where the Pop are not very strong and as some very pretty scheming is going on for the spring campaign this appointment may not prove unprofitable.

Sterrett is a good mixer and besides has a good feeling that the leaders believe him all the time.

Although Armistead is not directly represented in this state the steering committee has found it a serious stumbling block and it is claimed that if there is a strong kick made Sterrett may be dropped for some radical Sixth ward men who claim a birthright to one place because the victim party first saw the light of day in that vicinity in this county.

HUMAN SOCIETY MEETING.

Organization Will Be Placed Under a New Management Soon.

The Human Society will hold a special meeting to-night at the city hall. President St. John, of the society, stated yesterday that there would be some important business brought up for discussion.

It is understood that the society will be reorganized and a board of directors chosen which will take over the management of the society from the present board. An elaborate programme has been arranged and the police expect a big crowd.

Methodist Protestant Advisory Board.

The advisory board of the Methodist Protestant university will meet this afternoon at the home of Dr. Roberts, where some important problems in connection with the college will be discussed.

His Request Explained.

Fred Mayer, the young man who called at police headquarters Saturday night in a drunken condition and asked that he be locked up, had an attack of delirium tremens yesterday afternoon. Police Surgeon Nason was summoned and after working on the prisoner for a couple of hours, succeeded in driving all the reptiles from Mayer's vision.

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